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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE ON PANAMA CANAL TREATIES

1. PRESIDENT DESIRES SEND FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO HEADS  
OF GOVERNMENT OF AMERICAN REPUBLICS REPRESENTED AT  
SEPTEMBER 7, 1977, PANAMA TREATY SIGNING CEREMONY, AND  
OF OTHER CANAL USER COUNTRIES WHICH SENT MESSAGES OF  
CONGRATULATION AT THAT TIME. UNLESS YOU PERCEIVE OBJECTION,  
PLEASE DELIVER AT EARLIEST APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY.

2. BEGIN QUOTE:

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

WITH APPROVAL BY THE UNITED STATES SENATE OF THE TWO  
PANAMA CANAL TREATIES OF 1977, AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE  
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TREATIES BY THE GOVERNMENT OF PANAMA, THE TWO GOVERNMENTS  
CAN NOW INITIATE A NEW COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP IN  
OPERATING AND PROTECTING THE CANAL AS THE TREATIES PROVIDE.

I DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT AS WE  
HAVE MOVED TOWARD THIS HAPPY RESULT. IT HAS CONTRIBUTED  
MATERIALLY TO THE SOLUTION OF A DIFFICULT INTERNATIONAL

PROBLEM,TO IMPROVED WESTERN HEMISPHERE RELATIONS, TO THE

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FACILITATION OF WORLD COMMERCE, AND THUS TO WORLD PEACE.

SINCERELY,

JIMMY CARTER

END QUOTE. VANCE

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